Door Decoration Wins Honorable Mention

The door decoration in the photo above was given an Honorable Mention in the recently held contest at The Appomattox Middle School. The door was decorated by students in Miss Simmon's 8th grade class.

Each class room door in the school was decorated for Christmas by the students prior to the judging. A first place winner was named for the 7th grade and a first place winner was named for the 8th grade.

1st Place Winner - 7th Grade

It really looked a "lot like Christmas" at the Appomattox Middle School this week. Each classroom door was decorated by students in the class and then were judged by the students in the school.

In the 7th grade group, "Mr. Snowman" was the door decoration that won first place in that group. The decoration was on the door of Mrs. Stewart's room.

Have You Ever Seen a Galanty?

This was the old name for the shows put on at Christmas time by traveling entertainers, who projected shadow shows in pantomime, using silhouetted figures, by means of a magic lantern. The galanty shows were projected on a white sheet, or on the ceiling. But before long, magic lanterns became cheap and plentiful, so people had them in their homes, with an array of colored slides — and this became a popular home entertainment.

Now, many years later, and in spite of the attractions of television, the lineal descendants of those early magic lanterns continue to fascinate us.

CVCC Plans Course On Religion

The Sociology of Culture and Religion is the title of a new course which will be offered during the winter quarter at Central Virginia Community College.

The class will meet from 7 to 9:40 p.m. Mondays and carries three quarter hours of credit. The first class meeting is January 5.

Mr. Robert F. Seward, Associate Professor of Sociology and Philosophy, is the instructor.

The course will be a survey of sociological knowledge about religion in the United States with emphasis on religion in Southeastern United States. Many aspects of the institution of religion that have been studied by sociologists will be covered. Students will be encouraged to pursue topics in which they are especially interested. It is intended that the course will be helpful to anyone curious about sociological studies of our culture; and, it should be especially helpful to persons with special interest in organized religion.

Advanced registration already is in progress at CVCC. New and unclassified students may advance register from 5 to 7 p.m., Dec. 3 through 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5. Regular registration is Dec. 17 and 18. Students may register at the first class meeting. Tuition at CVCC is $6.25 per credit hour.

For further information, contact Dr. L. Thomas Barber, Chairman, Division of Social Sciences, or the CVCC Counseling Center, 239-0221.

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1st Place Winner - 8th Grade

So far we have had no snow, but it really looks a lot like Christmas at the Appomattox Middle School with doors of each classroom decorated by students.

When the door decorations were judged Tuesday night, "Snoopy", the decoration on the door of Mrs. Hancock's 8th grade class won first place in that group.

Choosing Rainwear

Blacksburg-There's more to choosing a raincoat than selecting the style you prefer. It's important to decide on the degree of rain protection you want, advises an Extension clothing specialist at Virginia Tech.

Rainwear may be waterproof or water repellent, noted Gail F. Cook, Extension specialist and an instructor of clothing, textiles and related art at Tech. The National Bureau of Standards defines the term "waterproofness" as "Impervionsness to the penetration of water through the cross section of a fabric," she said.

They define "water repellency" as "the ability of a textile fiber, yarn, or fabric to resist wetting. The term does not mean imperviousness to the penetration of wate.."

Fabrics used for waterproof rainwear include vinyl, polyurethane, some synthetic leathers and suedes. A waterproof outer garmet will not allow water to pass through, even during the heaviest rainstorm. "Since waterproof garments also keep air from passing through, they tend to be warm and often uncomfortable on that account,' Cook said.

A water-repellent coat looks like any other coat and it is often called an "all-weather" coat. It is designed to provide protection for light and moderate rains of not too long duration.

All-weather coats come in a variety of fabrics, colors, and styles. And they are treated with water-and stain-repellent chemicals.

To machine wash a water-repellent coat, use detergent and warm water, preferably on a permanent press cycle, Cook advised. Rinse the garment thoroughly in order to retain the effectiveness of the water-repellent finish. Machine dry if possible or dry on a wooden hanger. For hanger drying, smooth seams, collar, hem and decorative trims while the garmet is wet.

Waterproof rainwear is also made from non-porous fabrics such as vinyl and polyurethane. These garments may be washable depending on their properties and the type of lining or trim used. However, some must be surface cleaned with a sudsy sponge.

"Be sure to check labels for washability when buyin rainwear," Cook urged.

Paste this inside your medicine cabinet.

Cancer's seven warning signals

1. Change in bowel or bladder habits.
2. A sore that does not heal.
3. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
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5. Indigestion or difficulty in swallowing.
6. Obvious change in wart or mole.

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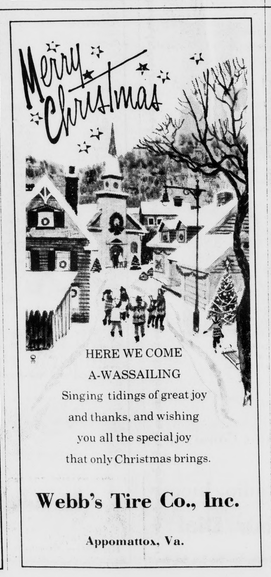

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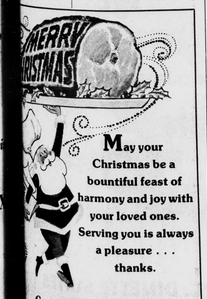

May your Christmas be a bountiful feast of harmony and joy with your loved ones. Serving you is always a pleasure . . . thanks.
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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER
Star of the newborn Jesus,
Rise again -
Lead us to the Christ child
May his birth be the rebirth
In us.
Of all he lived and died for
Let his infinite beauty
Shine through us today.
As a birthday gift to him -
Lord, surely the best gift we can give you this Christmas is ourselves. May each one offer ourselves to be used for your glory.

We were very sorry to hear of the death last week of Mr. Wesley Farrar. Our sympathy is extended his loved ones.

Mrs. Emma Lemon and Mrs. Freeman Moore visited Mrs. Addie Jenkins and Mrs. Ber Abbitt in the Liberty House Nursing Home in Lynchburg last week.

We are very sorry Mrs. A. S. Nowlin, of Lynchburg, remains very ill in the Lynchburg General Hospital. We pray she may soon be better.

We are happy Mrs. Bill Conner is home from the hospital. We pray she may soon be well.

Mr. Curtis Scruggs spent Wednesday at the Veterans Hospital in Richmond for tests.

We are glad to hear Mrs. Calvin Robinson is improving. We pray she may soon be well.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Woodall of Lynchburg and Mr. and Mrs. James Woodall were visitors of their aunt, Mrs. Mary Bagby, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson celebrated their son, William's birthday Tuesday night, Dec. 16. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Willie Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wingfield, Miss Julia Wingfield, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa.

Among those calling in the house of Mrs. Mary Bagby last week were Mrs. M. L. Covington,Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson, Walter, Katherine and Julia Wingfield, Mrs. Bill Watson, Thomas, Ruby and Lisa Woodall, Mrs. Alfred Almond and Jody Kendricks, Mrs. Curtis, Debrora and Nancy Scruggs, Mr. R. G. Austin and Tom, Mrs. Delorious Deaner and Mrs. Shirley Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. James Woodall and Mr. and Mrs. Twyman Baldwin of Spout Spring, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Woodall's son, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Woodall of Richmond.

Among those calling in the W. H. Wingfield home last week were Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson, Mrs. Raymond Franklin, the Thomas Woodalls, the Kenneth Deaners and Bill Watsons.

UNDERSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH
a health column from the
Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration
U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare

Mary Lystad, Ph.D., of the National Institute of Mental Health, provides clues to how children view themselves and how they relate to the larger world.

It includes stories and drawings by first-graders, third-graders, and fifth-graders, a discussion of their stories and drawings from the point of view of development, and a study of the books children read and those adults praise. An appendix provides lists of those books favored by children and those chosen by adults.

In a foreword to the new publication, Dr. Bertram S. Brown, Director of NIMH, points out that the study shows changes in the child's sociocultural perceptions over time, where the child's interests lie, how these interests differ according to the social background of the child, and how they differ from the reading materials commonly offered him.

A CHILD'S WORLD will interest parents, teachers, school counselors, librarians, and others. Copies may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at $3.10 per copy. (DHEW Publication No. (ADM)74-118, stock #1724-00380.)

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Fruit Growing In China

By Wesley P. Judkins
Virginia Tech Extension Horticulturist

Blacksburg-With the current interest in improving our relations with China, it may be appropriate to examine some aspects of their horticultural industry. For example, what fruit crops do they produce, and how do their methods compare with those in the U. S.?

Most of the agricultural production in China is in the eastern part of the country. In some sections, fcrest trees were cut indiscriminately, and serious erosion problems have developed. As a result, some areas that were once very fertile are now arid deserts.

The terracing of the land, and contour planting seem to have been Chinese inventions. These practices have been quite helpful in controlling erosion on steep slopes. Irrigation also has been practiced for many centuries. Water is hauled in large wooden tanks, pulled by oxen. Applications of 40 to 80 gallons per tree may be made four to six times each season in apple orchards.

The lack of fertilizer has caused serious limitations on production. All farm manure is carefully saved for use on cultivated crops. Because of the dense population, human excrement is also an important source of organic fertilizer.

In some places, cottonseed and soybean cake are used on the soil. In areas near the coast, seaweed, and fish meal from the processing industry are available. It is essential that an adequate chemical fertilizer industry be developed if the rapidly expanding population is to receive sufficient food.

As with fertilizer, the lack of pesticide sprays, and equipment for their application, is becoming a problem. Newspapers are used to make a bag around small apples to protect them from insects. These bags are applied about four weeks after bloom, and removed about three weeks before harvest to allow color to develop.

The commercial production of apples has expanded quite rapidly during the last 25 years. American varieties have been planted in increasing numbers and now constitute a significant part of the total crop.

Pears have been an important fruit in China for over 2000 years. The native Oriental varieties are most commonly planted. They are sweet and juicy but inferior to most U. S. varieties because they contain grit cells, are hard, and possess little aroma. The Bartlett, which is the most important variety in the U. S. is grown in only small quantities in China, because of its susceptibility to fire blight disease.

Small fruits are not grown commercially in China because, for sanitary reasons, most fruits are peeled or cooked before they are eaten. There has been some increase in interest in strawberry production in recent years. The crop is used mostly for processing for export, but increased quantities are expected to be used for home consumption as eating habits change.

The jujube is one of the most popular tree fruits in China. It is easy to grow because it has few pests or diseases. The fruits resemble large dates with mealy flesh which is slightly sweet and very nutritious. Dried jujubes are called Chinese dates.

Citrus fruits are another very important crop in Chinr. In fact, most citrus species seem to have originatenl there. Bananas are sometimes interplanted with oranges, and removed when the citrus trees reach full bearing.

Papaya and pineapple are two other important subtropical crops. The papaya is so easy to grow it is found in almost every home garden. Pineapples are grown in hilly and mountainous areas where forests were destroyed, and the land has become overgrown with sharp useless grass.

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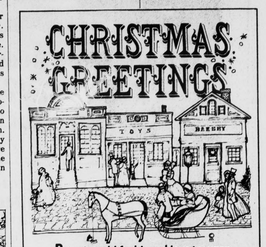

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